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ALSO FOR PERSONNEL ASSIGNED TDY LUSAKA

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SUBJECT: TDY VISITORS - FOREIGN EXCHANGE PROBLEM AVOIDANCE

IN ORDER TO COMPLY FULLY WITH ZAMBIA'S FOREIGN EXCHANGE REGULATIONS WHICH ARE STRICTLY ENFORCED, TDY OFFICIAL VISITORS, SHOULD ADHERE CAREFULLY TO THE FOLLOWING PROCEDURES:

1. DIPLOMATIC PASSPORT BEARERS (BOTH ARRIVING AND DEPARTING).

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DO NOT SHOW OR DECLARE ANY CURRENCY OF ANY KIND. PRINT

"DIPLOMATIC" IN THE BLANK SPACE OF ANY DECLARATION ASKING FOR CURRENCY ON YOUR PERSON. POLITELY BUT FIRMLY RESPOND TO ANY ORAL QUESTIONS AS TO TYPES AND AMOUNTS OF FUNDS BY STATING THAT YOU DO NOT BELIEVE THAT DIPLOMATS ARE REQUIRED TO ANSWER SUCH QUESTIONS, BUT YOU HAVE AMPLE FUNDS AND THAT THE U.S. EMBASSY LUSAKA WILL MEET ANY NEEDS FOR LOCAL CURRENCY.

2. OFFICIAL AND REGULAR PASSPORT BEARERS (BOTH ARRIVING AND DEPARTING): WHEN ENTERING ZAMBIA BE CERTAIN TO OBTAIN A COPY OF YOUR OFFICIAL WRITTEN RPT WRITTEN DECLARATION OF ALL CURRENCIES, TRAVELERS CHECKS, OTHER CHECKS, AND ANY FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS WHICH REPRESENT A CLAIM TO ASSETS OF ANY KIND. THIS SHOULD BE DONE ON A CURRENCY DECLARATION FORM. WHEN YOU DEPART ZAMBIA YOU MUST DECLARE AND BE ABLE TO PROVE THAT YOU LEGALLY IMPOSTED AND/OR OBTAINED FROM THE EMBASSY CASHIER, ALL MONETARY INSTRUMENTS WHICH YOU WISH TO TAKE WITH YOU. WELL BEFORE DEPARTURE, THE TRAVELER MUST TAKE HIS PASSPORT AND HIS PLANE TICKETS TO A BANK IN TOWN TO BE ENDORSED. KEEP RECEIPTS FOR ALL FOREIGN EXCHANGE TRANSACTIONS. FAILURE TO DECLARE COULD RESULT IN CONFISCATION, ARREST AND OTHER EMBARRASMENTS.

3. ALL TDY'S (A) DO NOT IMPORT OR EXPORT ZAMBIAN KWACHA IN ANY AMOUNT, NOT EVEN LOOSE CHANGE. IT IS A VILATION OF ZAMBIAN LAW.

(B) THE EMBASSY CASHIER WILL ACCEPT YOUR PERSONAL CHECK IN PAYMENT FOR LOCAL CURRENCY, SO YOUR NEEDS FOR DOLLAR CURRENCY OR TRAVELERS CHECKS SHOULD BE MINIMAL. THE EMBASSY CONVERSION RATE IS SLIGHTLY MORE FAVORABLE THAN COMMERCIAL RATE.

4. DECONTROL UPON RECEIPT.
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